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Dear Mr. Stacey

As a Commissioner on the Oxford CT Inland Wetlands Agency, I strongly support the proposed stream flow regulations. We cannot allow current and future harm to our environment from poorly regulated stream flow diversions, when there are certainly viable alternatives. Conservation and water management practices must be more effectively implemented by water companies and end users. Unnecessary uses of water must be curtailed during drought periods, and heavy users of water, such as power plants should be sited where water is available without depleting aquifers and streams.

Sincerely,

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